(b)No, Sir.

(c) Already a specified number of personnel in each Group Centre and battalion are authorized as leave reserve.

(d)All Commanders have been directed to sanction leave liberally to jawans. CRPF follows the policy of giving leave as stipulated without creating disappointment amongst the jawans. Jawans are encouraged to proceed on leave every year for which various mechanism/systems such as leave forecast, sainik Sammelans, grievance redressa! etc. are already in existence.

Leave to BSF jawans

2114. SHRI S.M. LALJAN BASHA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of annual leave granted to jawans of the BSF;

(b) whether it is a fact the the BSF frequently denies the annual leave to jawans;

(c) the difficulties faced by the BSF in creating a situation where a jawan is assured of his leave every year;

(d) what steps are proposed to be taken to ensure that no jawan is denied his due leave; and

(e) the steps proposed by Government to ensure that prior planning and thought goes into this matter in the BSF to improve the morale of BSF jawans?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) 60 days earned leave and 15 days casual leave to jawans serving in the field and 30 days earned leave and 08 days casual leave to those serving in other units.

{b) No, Sir.

(c) to (e) No such difficulty is being faced by BSF. Leave is granted to jawans as per rules keeping in view operational requirements according to a roster system and in cases of personal emergency. The morale of BSF jawans is very high.